

DRAWING FOR WAR SERVICE WAS COMPLETED EARLY TODAY: EXEMPTIONS TO BE HEARD SOON

Within Ten Days the Men Who Were Called to Service May Be Appearing Before Exemption Boards for Examination and Decision as to Exemption After They Have Been Notified

ONE ERROR IN THE DRAWING CAME TO LIGHT THIS MORNING

One Capsule Containing a Blank Was Drawn and the Checkers Are Now at Work Trying to Find the Missing Number—When Found It Will Be Assigned to Last Place

Washington, D. C., July 21.—With ten million men listed in the order of their liability to service, the federal government to-day began the task of determining who among those chosen shall be exempt. The drawing to determine who shall first be liable for service ended early to-day after it had been in progress without interruption for more than 16 hours.

The tabulation of the figures for forwarding to exemption boards was begun to-day, and within ten days the men may be appearing before the board for examination and decision as to exemption.

The only error in the drawing came to light near the end this morning, when a capsule was found containing a blank instead of a number. The lists will be rechecked and the missing number assigned to the last place in the drawing.

The telegraphic feat of transmitting the numbers as they were drawn is considered one of the notable features. The Associated Press virtually cleared its wires of other matter and gave the right of way to the numbers, with the result that the papers were able to give their readers promptly the lists of those chosen in the exemption districts.

With the close of the drawing, the bulk of the business of making the new army ready for service will pass to state and local authorities. They must post the numbers of the men first to be called, must summon them for examinations and later must take up the subject of exemptions.

As a result of the drawing every registered man is given a definite place in the liability for service list. Already 687,000 have been ordered to the colors to fill to war strength the regular army and National Guard and to constitute the first increment of the national army. To secure them 1,374,000 men will be called for examination, officials estimating that two registrants must be called for every soldier accepted. These 1,374,000 will be taken from the head of the liability list, every local district furnishing a fixed quota.

The drawing was conducted with ceremonies as democratic as the ideal of citizenship is embodied.

ORANGE CO. DRAFT FIGURES COMPLETED

Remainder of 200 Per Cent of Quota Is Subjoined—The County Is Called Upon to Furnish 68 Men for National Army.

Chelsea, July 21.—The following is the remainder of the Orange county draft figures, the whole being 200 per cent of the county's quota of 68 men. The first portion was printed in yesterday's paper:

542, Victor C. Bador, Randolph.
194, Carroll A. Wright, Brookfield.
874, Eugene W. Ordway, East Corinth.
552, Donald N. Slater, Randolph Center.
298, Lafayette L. Coffin, West Corinth.
675, Frank J. Sawyer, Randolph.
343, Frank H. LaMott, Fairlee.
726, Howard E. Camp, Randolph Center.
15, Charles A. Haskins, Bradford.
905, Percy H. Welch, Tunbridge.
933, Amos S. Giles, Tunbridge.
452, Benton H. Harris, Wells River.
355, Robert Webster, Fairlee.
530, Alfred Morris, East Barre.
809, Frank E. Bonnett, North Thetford.
114, Albert Recor, Graniteville.
645, Floyd A. Norton, Randolph Center.
218, Elmer G. Roberts, Washington.
620, Gordon R. LaBounty, Randolph.
574, Elmer E. Sault, Randolph.
31, Fred E. Brooks, Bradford.
981, Harry E. Downing, Washington.
882, Robert W. Hall, Topsham.
677, Wesley T. Abel, Randolph Center.
749, Bert A. Dickinson, Stratford.
525, Charles N. Ladd, Barre, R. F. D.
760, Jesse Cassius Melendy.
183, John R. Norman, Brookfield.
56, Walter C. Clagston, Bradford.
792, Lee W. Bacon, South Fairlee.
5, Carl E. Thompson, Bradford.
350, Clarence M. Rogers, Fairlee.
54, Edward E. Grant, Jr., Bradford.
870, Ralph W. Burgin, Grotton.

CALEDONIA COUNTY'S FIRST 20

Are Headed By George Powling Morse of Danville.

St. Johnsbury, July 21.—The first 20 names drawn for Caledonia county in connection with the operation of the selective draft are:

George Powling Morse, Danville.
Ithamer L. Sweet, West Danville.
Kusti Salmi, Danville.
Carl Augustus Morse, Hardwick.
George Shepard Haskell, Grotton.
Leon Harold Damon, West Burke.
William McDonald, Jr., St. Johnsbury.
James Folsom Aldrich, St. Johnsbury.
Ralph E. Howes, St. Johnsbury.
Frederick Loren Prescott, Lyndon Center.
Frederick M. Perrigard, St. Johnsbury.
Freeman J. Priest, Lower Waterford.
Glen E. Hemminway, Waterford.
Frank Lewis Strong, East Hardwick.
Harry Ray Carson, East Hardwick.
Abraham Phillips, St. Johnsbury.
William High, St. Johnsbury.
Valentine C. Barquin, St. Johnsbury.

NEW CASE AT WATERBURY.

Child in Family of Pio Datoni Has Infantile Paralysis.

Waterbury, July 21.—Another case of poliomyelitis has developed in the family of Pio Datoni on Union street. The little three-year-old son, Mario, is affected. Five years ago and has been in Boston much of the time since for treatment.

TRAINING SKILLED MECHANICS.

Is the Next Step in National Preparation For the War.

Training skilled mechanics and high-grade helpers is the next step in national preparation, according to the department of the interior, which has sent broadcast, through the bureau of education, an appeal to trade schools, manual training high schools, and all schools with shop-work departments, to prepare to meet the demands that will come for semi-technical workers in the metal trades and other industries. President Wilson, Secretary of Commerce Redfield and other government officials are also vigorously behind the effort to enlist vocational schools and classes everywhere in the establishment of this second line of industrial defense.

"It is impossible," says the department's statement, "to forecast definitely the numbers of mechanics and operatives of various kinds that will be required. Officers of the army, navy and civil service commission are agreed, however, that during the next few months there will be an unusual demand for capable workmen, mechanics, and high grade helpers in a number of important occupations." The following are some of the workers who will be most urgently needed: Automobile mechanics, bakers, blacksmiths, boat builders, chandeliers, cooks, draftsmen, electricians, engineers (steam), engineers (gas), machinists, motorcycle mechanics, painters, pipefitters, riveters, shiftpipers, saddlers, shipwrights, tent-makers, textile workers, wheelwrights, stenographers, typewriters.

It is pointed out that the demands for these workers will come from the regular enlisted corps of the army and navy, from the enlisted reserve corps of the army and navy, from the eligible registers of the civil service commission, and from private employers whose workers are called into government service. After the war there will also be a continued demand for similar workers in the re-organization and rehabilitation of industry.

Maintaining school throughout the summer months, encouraging students between 16 and 20 years of age now already enrolled to continue their training, and discouraging premature entrance into industry, are urged as necessary. The Bureau warns particularly against any relaxation of standards, pointing out that half-baked mechanics will in the end and inevitably impair the efficiency of any branch of the service. "Young persons now enrolled in technical courses should be urged to complete their courses, even at the cost of some temporary sacrifice, if necessary, in order that they may ultimately contribute the maximum of service when needed," say bureau officials.

Schools are urged also to offer special intensive courses through the summer months to train mechanics and machine operatives of various types.

There are over 500 special schools available for service of the kind indicated now on the lists of the bureau of education, according to the department's statement, and these schools have been asked to notify the commission of education at once as to the plans that will be adopted for carrying out the suggestions of the government.

Thomas McDonald of Elmoro street, a granite cutter, got a piece of steel in his eye this morning while at work. He was taken to the City hospital, where an operation was performed on his eye.

Notice to Users of City Water.

The city water will be shut off Sunday, July 22, from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. for the purpose of flushing the mains.

City Water Department.

TWICE THROWN BACK BY FRENCH

Germans Made Violent Attacks Southeast of Cerny

AND PENETRATED FRENCH DEFENSES

Attacks on Other Parts of the Front Were Frustrated

Paris, July 21.—In the course of violent fighting last night on the Aisne front, southeast of Cerny, the Germans twice penetrated the French trenches and were driven out by counterattacks, the war office announces. Attacks on other parts of the front were repulsed and heavy losses were inflicted on the Germans.

Another effort by the German crown prince to regain the Calonne and Casemates plateaus, between Hurbise and Craonne, on the Aisne front, has been checked by the French. The Germans attacked repeatedly in mass formation but every attempt was repulsed and the French held to their positions.

SIBERIAN TROOPS BORE THE BRUNT OF HARD ATTACK

Germans Are Using Hundreds of Heavy Guns Against Russians on Smolensk Front.

Petrograd, July 21.—Dispatches say that a most intense artillery battle is being waged on the Smolensk front. Several hundred German heavy guns are said to be engaged. A crack Siberian regiment bore the brunt of the fighting in driving back an attempt of the Germans to advance.

NAMED FOR CAPTAINCY.

First Lieut. Walter L. Clark of St. Albans Published.

St. Albans, July 21.—The name of First Lieut. Walter L. Clark, coast artillery corps, appears in the list sent to the Senate this month for nomination by the president to be promoted to the rank of captain. Lieut. Clark is a St. Albans boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark. He was graduated from Norwich university and some years ago took the examinations for a commission from civil life.

TALK OF THE TOWN

William Adams is moving his household goods from 2 First street into the house at 88 South Main street.

Mrs. Susie Harris of 24 Patterson street was taken to the City hospital this morning, where she underwent an operation.

Miss Lucy Wells has gone to Woodbury pond, where she will spend a two weeks' vacation from her duties in the postoffice.

Clerks in the Homer Fitts store had a vision of a German invasion for a short time last evening, when one of the large chandeliers, suspended from the ceiling of the store, fell onto one of the large show cases, which run along through the center of the store. Further investigation proved that the invasion was not forthcoming, but that the chandelier was smashed into a thousand pieces, while the show case fortunately escaped without any damage.

A railroad committee representing the Barre Board of Trade and other members of the same organization left this morning for St. Albans, there to confer with President E. C. Smith of the Central Vermont railroad and Supt. J. E. Maun. The committee consists of Mayor E. C. Glysson, J. F. Higgins and R. G. Robinson and they were accompanied by Sec. H. A. Phelps and H. P. Hinman, secretary of the Granite Manufacturers' association. Matters pertaining to the extension of freight and passenger service were to be discussed.

From an itinerant vendor of sparmint gum to a position of affluence among men of means is the long jump taken by Howard Bristol, well known in this city, who is visiting acquaintances in Barre while taking it easy on a legacy which he is reported to have received from Chicago, Ill., last winter. People who flock Depot square whenever a street merchant sets himself up in business in the little esplanade will remember the burly figure of Mr. Bristol when he used to dispense packages of chewing gum under the flare of a gasoline torch in the square. While in Burlington after his summer's campaign on the streets of many New England towns, he received information that a relative who had died in Chicago left him \$25,000.

Anthony Tomasi is making fair progress in his lumber project on the west side of Berlin pond although his efforts to secure a movable mill have not met with success and recently circumstances growing out of the delay in obtaining mill machinery led him to dispose of two 100 h. p. boilers purchased in Swanton. One of the big boilers was purchased by the Northfield Gas company and has been shipped to that village. A considerable force of men at work in the woods will be increased early in September, when the proprietor hopes to establish a mill of his own. Just now, with 200,000 feet of timber down, Mr. Tomasi is cutting the logs to Field's mill a mile away. Local granite manufacturers are purchasing most of the output for boxing purposes.

DECLARES ITS INDEPENDENCE

Finland Through Its Diet's Action May Bring Conflict with Russia

PROLONGED CHEERING GREETED THE VOTE

Russia Is Thought to Be Too Much Occupied to Resist a Revolt

Helsingfors, July 21.—Conflict with Russia was regarded as inevitable Thursday, because of the action of the Finnish diet in adopting a bill granting independence to Finland. Socialist members assert, however, that Russia has her hands too full of her own troubles to attempt a repression after passing with the five-sixths majority required by the constitution the decision on whether the question should be considered at once or postponed to the next session. The bill was passed with more than the two-thirds majority necessary to change the fundamental laws.

The announcement of the vote was received by prolonged cheering and cries of "Long live Finland."

The diet rejected the proposal by a member of the young Finnish party that the law be submitted for Russia's approval, as required by the constitution.

After the vote on the bill, the Senate prepared a statement to be read by Premier Tokoi, announcing its resignation, on the ground that since it was appointed by the provisional government of Russia, it had now lost standing. It is expected that Tokoi will be reappointed by the diet and a cabinet chosen of representatives of the parties.

COMPANY ORGANIZED.

Co. D of the Home Guards at Vergennes Gets Under Way.

Vergennes, July 21.—Company D, First regiment, Vermont volunteer militia, is now regularly organized and established here as an organized military force under the control of the state. The commissioned officers are: Captain, George W. Stone; first lieutenant, Charles H. Cole; second lieutenant, George W. Casey. About 25 men have enlisted in the company and formally taken the oath of allegiance and service requested of all soldiers.

The applicants for membership are considerably in excess of the authorized strength of the company, which at present cannot exceed 50 men.

Now that the federal draft is over, a number of the desirable young men within the draft age will be received, and the enrollment completed to full strength. The final roster will also include some of the applicants over 31 years of age not yet accepted, the plan of filling the company by installments being in accordance with the orders of Governor Graham.

HER SON A SUICIDE.

Harold J. Cross Recently Completed a Term in Navy.

Stowe, July 21.—Mrs. Addie Russell Cross has only recently received news of the death of her son, Harold J. Cross, 24 years of age, who died by his own hand May 10. The young man had recently completed four years' service in the United States navy, since which time he had been with his father, William Cross, in Maine. The only particulars Mrs. Cross has received are that the young man shot his father's dog and then went into the woods and shot himself. The body was not found until the last of June, the burial taking place June 29. Insanity is supposed to have been the cause of the act. The parents, both of whom survive, separated many years ago, and the father is married again and has a family of children in Maine. Of the first family, two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Merrill of Moretown, and Miss Vivian Douglas of Burlington, and a brother, Bernie, of Albany, N. Y., survive. Mrs. Cross had expected that the deceased would come to see her when his term in the navy expired.

NEWPORT MILL BURNED.

Prouty & Miller Plant Was Struck By Lightning.

Newport, July 21.—The saw and finishing mill of Prouty & Miller was struck by lightning and completely destroyed at 6 o'clock last night. The loss is estimated at \$10,000 with no insurance. It is not decided whether the property will be rebuilt or not. This was one of the largest industries in town and employed 50 men. The firm has been in the lumber business for many years, having large holdings in Canada and Maine and at Jackman, Me., it is operating the largest lumber mill in New England. The firm handles many million feet of lumber a year. Ex-Gov. G. H. Prouty is senior member of the firm and Oscar P. Miller, W. R. Prouty and E. J. Prouty are the other members of the firm.

Death of Waterbury Child.

Waterbury, July 21.—Renele Judice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Judice of High street, died early this morning after a brief illness of pneumonia. The child was a year and nine months old.

MUCH DISPLEASED.

At Order Keeping Plattsburg Military Men Out of Burlington.

Burlington, July 21.—"Eighty cases of infantile paralysis in Washington county, this state, is not a good and sufficient reason for forbidding members of the garrison or training camp at Plattsburg from visiting Burlington without permission," is the opinion of Max L. Powell, expressed last evening.

This order was issued in Plattsburg Wednesday by Lieut.-Col. Wolf, the camp commander. Mr. Powell, upon reading the order in Thursday's Free Press, got into communication with the leading business and transportation men of the city, and after much thought and consideration, dispatched two telegrams to Washington, one to Senator Carroll S. Page, the other to Representative Frank L. Greene, beseeching these gentlemen to use their high offices in having this order rescinded.

Mr. Powell thought, should this order become effective, it will do much harm to the hotel men, transportation companies and business places of this city and vicinity, in that it will stop a heavy flow of traffic to this place. Already, large numbers of people have applied for registration at the hotels in this city, both on the way to and from Plattsburg, and this patronage will have to be cancelled should this order become effective.

FURNISHED LIQUOR TO SOLDIERS.

Raymond Burgess of Winooki Was Fined in Winooki.

Winooki, July 21.—Raymond Burgess, a native of Randolph, pleaded guilty in municipal court yesterday to furnishing liquor to soldiers and was fined \$300 and costs of \$7.35. He was taken back to jail and given time to raise the amount, which he thought he could do. In company with two soldiers of Co. F, 1st Vermont, he walked down West Allen street Thursday evening and into a pasture to partake of the drinks. Burgess carried under his arm a paper bag, which contained six bottles of beer. They were told while in this pasture to look out for Chief Barber, who resides in the neighborhood. The chief arrived on the spot just in time to see one of the men in uniform with one of the bottles. The soldier thereupon threw the bottle into the grass upon seeing Chief Barber. Burgess admitted that he was guilty of wrong doing in furnishing the soldiers, but said that he thought he would "take a chance."

ATTORNEY-GENERAL ON CASE.

Barber Visits Bradshaw Farm in St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, July 21.—Attorney-General Herbert G. Barber of Brattleboro with State's Attorney James B. Campbell and Sheriff W. H. Worthen visited the Bradshaw farm yesterday and interviewed those connected with the tragedy of July 5. The attorney general will be here to-day and will press the investigation.

Two women held for the murder of eight-year-old Alice Bradshaw, Mary Hicks, Bradshaw's housekeeper, and Mrs. Alvah Kenerson, have been slightly ill. They now preserve a discreet silence contrary to their first days in jail, when various stories were told regarding the disposal of the child's body. It is expected that the grand jury will be called before long to consider the evidence, when the women may be indicted.

Y. M. C. A. INFLUENCE.

Is Very Powerful, According to Gov. Graham's Estimate.

Gov. Graham's estimate of the Y. M. C. A. is given in the following: "The Young Men's Christian association deserves the fullest support of every man who believes that America must win this war. An army depends in largest measure upon its morale. Its morale is its self-reliance and its moral character and upon the moral character of an army rests its success. The secretaries of this association all over Europe and America are doing the greatest possible work to develop this character. They work upon the fields and in the camps. They give to the soldier a breath from home. They give to him a place to hear from home. To listen to home songs. To sing home songs. To read home news and best and above all, to free himself, if only for a time, from all the temptations of the camp. Here in the Young Men's Christian association he finds his feet and finds himself and again goes out to his duty, a cleaner and so a better man.—If you have anything to give, give it to this association, deny yourself that you may give again, for by so doing you will receive back a hundredfold. Rest assured that the gift will always reach its intended home and make some soldier happier and better, his morale stronger, the army stronger—one step nearer to the winning of this war."

CORRECTIONS ON DRAFT.

A Few Changes in Washington County From List Published Yesterday.

The following are corrections and additions in the Washington county draft as published in yesterday's paper:

No. 1455 should have been Ashtel Charles Barnett (not Barrett) of Cabot; the 14th man should have been No. 2787 (Sheridan G. Boyce of Walfield) instead of 2782 (Harold Hibbard Greenwood of Warren); the 37th man should be No. 3067 (Bernard O. Almsworth of Woodbury); the 40th man should be No. 2148 (Carroll Dobey of Montpelier); the 44th man should be No. 2453 (Walter Albert Virge of Northfield); Andrea Tomasi's address should be Montpelier, not Barre.

FOOD BILL VOTE BEFORE NIGHT

But Two Important Amendments Remained to Be Considered

AGREEMENT MADE TO ACT IN SENATE

Measure Has Been Under Consideration for Five Weeks

Washington, D. C., July 21.—After having been under consideration for five weeks, the food control bill was taken up under agreement for a final vote in the Senate to-day. It may be late tonight before the measure is disposed of. Only two important amendments were pending when the Senate met, one to provide for fixing the minimum price for wheat and the other to authorize the federal trade commission to fix coal prices and take over the coal mines.

NO CHURCH SERVICES.

Doors Will Be Closed in Barre To-morrow.

Unless the Salvation Army is permitted to pound out its drum message of militant evangelism, to-morrow will be a churchless day for Barre, as the board of health order promulgated yesterday because of the presence of infantile paralysis inhibits religious gatherings along with moving picture shows and other assemblies for amusement purposes. Some doubt as to whether the order actually included every church meeting was dispelled by the statement of the board of health that the ruling is to be taken literally. Protestant churches in Barre may be said to have been running on half time for a few weeks, as a number of the clergymen are away on their vacations, but even the union meetings arranged for the months of July and August are banned under the latest order. To-day rumor filled its quota of new poliomyelitis cases, but the fact remains that there is only one case in Barre, that of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ross of Howland street, whose condition is said to remain practically unchanged.

FOUND DEAD IN CHAIR.

George C. Averill of Brattleboro Died of Heart Trouble.

Brattleboro, July 21.—George C. Averill, aged 59, treasurer and principal stockholder of the Ashuelot Paper company and former president of the Vermont National bank, was found dead in his chair in his home yesterday afternoon by his son, Richard C. Averill, on the latter's return from Spofford Lake, N. H., where his family has been on a vacation. Health Officer Henry Tucker said death was due to organic heart trouble. Mr. Averill was seen in his garden an hour or more before being found by his son.

He was born in Thomaston, Conn., October 28, 1857, a son of Rev. James Averill. At the age of 16 he became a clerk and bookkeeper in the First National bank at Greenfield, Mass., remaining there eight years. He then became teller of the First National bank in Northampton, Mass., and in 1885 came to Brattleboro and was teller of the Vermont National bank one year, succeeding G. S. Dowley as cashier in 1886. He was made president of the bank in 1897, remaining in that position until he resigned in 1915. Since then he has taken an active part in the Ashuelot Paper company.

DETECTIVE VISITS VERMONT.

To Look Up Evidence in Case of John V. Piper.

Burlington, July 21.—The attorneys for Dr. W. T. Condon of New Brunswick, N. J., the alleged slayer of John V. Piper, state university college of agriculture, '16, had detectives in town lately, looking up the history of the murdered man while he lived here in Vermont. Prof. G. P. Burns of the college department of botany was the only man, so far as known, to whom the detective talked while here. Piper worked under Professor Burns while at the college and while instructor for several months up to September, 1916.

The detective said he was going to Essex Junction, St. Albans and to Perkinsville, where Piper's widow and children and her mother are passing the summer. At St. Albans he said he intended to talk to E. W. Pike of Isle La Motte, a member of Piper's class in college and his closest friend.

The trial of Dr. Condon is set for next September.

CO. C FUND

Received a Few Additions From Chelsea To-day.

The Company C fund received the following acquisitions to-day:

Previously acknowledged..... \$633.00
George A. Tracy..... 2.00
Fred A. Ordway..... 1.00
H. O. Bixby..... 2.00

HAD ALREADY ENLISTED.

First Man Named in Orange County Is in Co. C.

Fred Augustus Ransom of Chelsea, who was the first named man drawn in the Orange county draft, had already enlisted, being a member of Co. C of Barre.